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The tale we're about to tell should prove something—perhaps the perils of life in the television age. We'd like to claim this happened to us, but it didn't. We're indebted to the *Milwaukee Jnl* for the story. One Doug Christiansen was busy in his basement workshop at home one night while his wife was watching television upstairs. Suddenly she cried out: "Doug! Doug! Come here, quick!"

Her tone was so urgent that Christiansen assumed the house was on fire, or that his wife had surprised a burglar, or something. So he dashed toward the stairs and started up them two at a time. By the time he reached the top step, he was bounding like a mountain goat.

Then everything went black. When Christiansen regained consciousness, he was lying at the bottom of the stairs with a goose egg beginning to form on his head where he had struck it on a beam at the peak of one of his leaps.

His wife, summoned by the clatter as he rolled down the steps, appeared at the top of the stairway. "What in the world are you doing there?" she asked her sprawled out mate.

"Just relaxing," he retorted. "What did you want?"

"I wanted you to see Roy Rog-

ers' horses on tv," she said. "They were going around and around in circles."

Sorry, but Christiansen's answer to *that* wasn't recorded.

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A lady in N Y recently picked up her phone, according to the Bell Telephone Co, and heard a voice saying:

"Spaceship 1, Spaceship 1, come in Spaceship 1. This is Flotilla Leader. I am now over Washington. Do you read me, Spaceship 1?"

"I read you, Flotilla Leader," repl'd another voice. "We are now approaching N Y. Wave 5 now in control of Sheridan Square."

The lady called police, who investigated and found that a pair of telephone installers had got bored with routine testing phrases. The police discussed this with the phone company, and it's reported that the following instruction was issued:

"From now on stick to saying, '1, 2, 3, 4, testing.' If that gets boring, try '4, 3, 2, 1, testing.'"

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The Jamestown, N Y, *Sun* ran the following ad in its classified section: "Lost—a brown toupee. If found, call Midway Amusement Park and ask for Baldy."

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you on that?

[1] Rep FRANCES P BOLTON (R-Ohio), explaining her energy at 74: "I have practiced yoga for a great many yrs, stand on my head and turn somersaults and do a few things like that." . . . [2] JACQUES PICCARD, Swiss scientist, after descending deeper in the ocean than man had gone previously and finding no strange underwater creatures, only shrimp and bony fish: "The terrors of the inky, crushing, frigid abyss would seem largely a figment of the imagination." . . . [3] WERNHER VON BRAUN, U S rocket expert, testifying before the House Space Comm: "I wouldn't be surprised if Russia puts a man in orbit around the earth this yr. . . It is very doubtful if the U S can catch up with Russia in deep space exploration by 1964." . . . [4] JAWAHARLAL NEHRU, Indian prime minister, saying India faces grave danger from Communist Chinese territorial ambitions: "We are not going to bargain. . . We are confident of our strength and we will not be afraid of China. We are strong enough to face any danger and fight any aggressor." . . . [5] LOWELL NUSSBAUM, columnist, in *Indianapolis Star*: "The stories about England's Prince Philip's apparent reluctance to leave his hunting party recall . . . the old nursery rhyme: 'By baby Bunting, daddy's gone a-hunting. . .'" . . . [6] Sen HUBERT HUMPHREY (D-Minn), Democratic candidate for presidential nomination, in speech in Indianapolis: "The most important civil

right is a man's right to vote. Denying it is a cancer."

. . . [7] ADLAI E STEVENSON, commenting that he won't be a

delegate to the Democratic nat'l conv in July, when asked if this means he has closed the door on the possibility of a draft: "The door is in the same geographical position it has been — and don't ask me where that is." . . . [8] Airman M S PROTHRO, El Dorado, Ark, to a Tenn farm wife who stood staring at him after he had parachuted into a tree top: "Hey, get somebody and get me down." . . . [9] Tenn farm wife, replying to Airman Prothro: "I'm busy. I'm cooking bread." . . . [10] Rev A UBREY, Eynsford, England, explaining to nervous parishioners of his 600-yr-old church why they must sing hymns accompanied by a muted piano: "We don't dare use the organ. Our oak beams are riddled with woodworm and any violent shock will bring them crashing down." . . . [11] JAS DUKE, British Columbia highway worker, when rescued after being buried for over 26 hrs by an avalanche: "Did someone remember to feed and water my dog?"

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'He who never quotes, is never quoted'

Charles Haddon Spurgeon



AGE—1

Rob't Louis Stevenson it was who, tho he himself had a relatively short life by modern standards, wrote of the coming of age as not something to be dreaded but as "a friend coming to meet you." And so it is. A friend whose greeting is "Whoa boy. Take it easy. There's no need of so much tension. . . Only a few things really matter. Handle these right and all will be well." —"Live & Learn," in *Bankers Bulletin*, Bankers Commercial Corp'n, N Y C.

AGRICULTURE—2

Agriculture is changing from a way of living to a way of making a living . . . from a business of arts and crafts to a business of science and technology. — Dean EARL L BUTZ, of Purdue Univ.



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AMBITION—3

Asked how he rose to great heights, the great J B Priestly said, "As for anyone else, I can't say. I only know I cared like blazes." — EUGENE P BERTIN, *Pennsylvania School Jnl.*

ARTISTS—4

Painters are paid by the hr, by the piece, or not at all. Those in the 1st category must be able to do something, those in the 2nd should be able to do something, and the 3rd category consists of failures and geniuses. — *Schweizer Illustrier-te*, Zofingen, Switzerland (QUOTE translation).

AUTOMOBILES—Teenagers—5

Dad's hunch that a jalopy and high school make a poor combination has now acquired statistical

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backing. It is shown by a study of more than 1,450 juniors and seniors in a suburban Chicago high school that teen-age car owners are found more often in the lowest grades of their classes. Grades dropped even more when part-time jobs help to pay auto expenses, but hindered homework and study.—*Science Digest*.

BEAUTY—6

An actress we know has two mirrors in her dressing room: one for "make-up," lit by harsh white lights; and another one diffused with rosy lighting, that ups her spirits as she leaves the room. Her rule: "After doing your level best cosmetically, use the crowning beauty routine — think pretty."—*Glamour*.

BIBLE—7

There is strength and power that come from great passages of Scripture memorized at an early age but never completely forgotten. As John Ruskin, one of the greatest literary artists of all time, put it, "All I have written, whatever greatness there has been in any thought of mine, whatever I have done in my life, has simply been due to the fact that, when I was a child, my mother daily read with me a part of the Bible, and daily made me learn a part of it by heart."—*Bible Society Record*.

BUSINESS—Mgt—8

No matter what the textbooks and the organization charts say, well-managed companies do not have a one-man "chief exec." They have an exec team.—*PETER DRUCKER, Personnel Jnl.*

CHARACTER—9

It is said that a tree grows stronger by yielding a little to the wind, while always trying to return to its upright position. I have often wondered if perhaps this saying did not also apply to human beings.—*H NELSON LOCHEAD, quoted in Good Business*.

CHRISTIANITY—10

Saints are made but Christians are born.—*GEO E FAILING, "Christians Are Born," Wesleyan Methodist, 1-27-'60*.

CHURCH—11

No place to hide—a church in England has installed a juke box with rock and roll hymns. — *DAN KIDNEY, syndicated col.*

CONVICTIONS—12

All the strength and force of man comes from his faith in things unseen. He who believes is strong; he who doubts is weak. Strong convictions precede great actions.—*J F CLARKE, quoted in Royle Forum, John Royle & Sons*.

CREDIT—13

Ever wonder about the size of monthly payments other people make when they buy new cars on time? A survey by one big firm that finances installment sales shows the average is about \$80 a month for 32 months, after a down payment of 30%. In spite of higher car prices, the average monthly payment has changed very little in the past 5 yrs, but down payments have declined 3 to 4%, and payments stretched about 2 months longer.—*U S News & World Report*.

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washington

By Les & Liz
Carpenter



Rep Ken Gray (D-Ill) has found campaigning is sometimes deflating. Running for a 3rd term, he spotted a farmer leaning on a fence post and stopped to talk with the old gentleman. Gray shook hands and said, "I'm Ken Gray, your Congressman." The farmer, quite hard of hearing, said, "You're who?" Gray repl'd, "I'm your Congressman, Ken Gray." From the puzzled look on the old man's face, it was apparent that he still did not know who he was talking to. Trying a new tack, Gray bellowed, "I'm Ken Gray, and I'm running for Congress and would like to have your vote." The old farmer's face brightened and he said, "You'll sure get my vote, son. That guy we've got in there now isn't worth a damn."

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Rep Fred Schwengel (R-Iowa) believes in using his own experience as a congressman to help educate others. Five yrs ago, he initiated a "Wk in Washington" program to enable 12 young Iowans annually to visit the Capitol, live in the Congressman's home, have a desk in his office and follow a day-to-day schedule exposing them to most of the facets of gov't on Capitol Hill. The students come in prs, one Democrat and one Republican. Since the program began, Schwengle has entertained 50 students and 5 instructors.

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CRITICISM—14

Aversion from reproof is not wise. It is the mark of a little mind. A great man can afford to lose; a little insignificant fellow is afraid of being snuffed out.—ROB'T CECIL, *Toastmaster*.

DEBT—War—15

Only Finland pays war debts to U S, and a few wks ago it made its annual payment: \$272,587.18, right on time. All other nations have defaulted and the Treasury now doesn't even bill them. Principal and interest on World War I debts is about \$18.7 billion. Biggest debtor is Britain (\$8.5 billion), next is France (\$5.8 billion).—TOM WRIGLEY, *Elks Mag*.

DISCIPLINE—16

For several yrs now, British school boys have had to wear trousers without pockets because of an edict issued by the British Minister of Education. He felt that keeping one's hand in one's trouser pocket causes bad posture, crooked backs, and sunken shoulders. Pocketless trousers are expected to remedy the situation.—*Sunshine Mag*.

DIVORCE—17

Today in the U S, 1 divorce is granted for every 4 marriage licenses issued. Half the couples who come into our divorce courts have been married less than 5 yrs, ¼ of them less than 2 yrs. Most significant is the fact that among 95% of the couples seeking a divorce, either one or both partners do not attend church regularly. — Judge ROGER ALTON PFAFF, Calif Superior Court, "When Wedding Vows Fade," *Guideposts*, 2-'60.



mining the magazines

An article on poisons in *Scientific American* defines a poison as "any substance that in relatively small quantities can cause death or illness in living organisms by chemical action." The author says the qualification "by chemical action" is necessary because it "rules out such . . . effects as those produced by a small quantity of lead entering the body at high velocity."

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This item is from *Printers' Ink*:

On pages 16 and 17 of a recent issue of a farm publication called *The Rural New Yorker*, there are ads for saw chains, wood stoves, snow shoes, manure spreaders, rat traps and, sticking out like a well-heeled thumb, an ad for a diamond engagement ring from Tiffany & Co. The ad, one of 3 Tiffany is running in *The Rural New Yorker* as a test campaign, offers a brochure thru which its diamond rings can be ordered. Tiffany expects splendid results for, as one of its execs says, "Farmers appreciate and can afford the finer things as much as anyone else."

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To the middle-aged, the Great Depression is a painfully vivid memory; to the very youthful, it's already ancient history. Wm Manchester's article, "The Great Bank Holiday," *Holiday*, 2-'60, should be read by everybody concerned about the country's economy today. Things were *really* rough back in 1933, as Mr Manchester makes clear in an entertaining and informative

Overheard at the Biltmore Bar, just before the 5:25 took off for Westport: "But what do you get out of not being a Republican?"—*New Yorker*.

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fashion. "It is slightly more than a quarter century," he reminds us, "since panic closed America's banks—since that improbable month when Norman Vincent Peale denounced capitalists, John D Rockefeller ran out of dimes, Macy's announced that demanding cash from its customers would be unpatriotic, and what were then known as step-ins were solemnly accepted as legal tender in Madison Sq Garden."

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Following January's rash of tragic air crashes, *Newsweek*, 2-1-'60, contains an article on safety in the air—the great margin of actual safety, despite the spectacular headlines, and the plans and proposed methods for making air travel even safer. Air fatalities have long been known to be fewer per 100 million passenger mi's than highway fatalities; another encouraging statistic is that odds on safe air arrival are 350,000 to 1 in favor of the 57 million airline passengers. (Figures are for 1958.)

And ins companies point out that very few trip policies are ever cashed in.

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EDUCATION—18

There are two contrasting views about education: Hellenistic — for the purpose of knowledge, and Hebraic—for the purpose of living. It is certainly not right that knowledge is just for knowledge's sake. There is a great danger that knowledge is the sole aim of education. Knowledge can be of great use to raise the standard of living, but it can also be used to annihilate mankind.—TIMOTHY Y H CHOW, laying cornerstone of North Point Methodist Primary School, Hong Kong, quoted in *Christian Advocate*.

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I should like to think of the educated man as one who can respond intelligently to different types of stimuli. An intelligent response to stimulation involves the apprehension of its true nature. The person who has this ability is an educated person.—BOYD A MARTIN, "The Humanities in Our Creative Culture," *Bulletin*, Nat'l Assoc of Teachers of Singing, 12-'59.

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I'm opposed to any education which will give our children knowledge without morals to help them use it.—THE COUNTRY PARSON, *Register-Tribune Syndicate*.

FAITH—19

The faith that bears and suffers is greater than the faith that triumphs.—*New Illustrator*.

FEAR—20

We gather together as humane beings only when we are afraid.—CARLO SCHMID, *Zeit*, Hamburg (QUOTE translation).

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FREEDOM—21

Man's mental freedom is his God-given inalienable right. Man needs physical freedom, to be sure, but without mind, man is not man. No am't of physical freedom from want can ever take the place of man's freedom of mind. Both kinds of freedom are intrinsic elements in the full human life. Negatively man should be free from mental duress. All brain washing or social engineering are illicit manipulations of human beings as objects, or, at the highest, as animals.—NELS FERRE, of Andover Newton Theological Seminary, "Man's Freedom," *Concern*, Nat'l Conf of Methodist Youth, 1-8-'60.

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In terms of casualties, the Boston Massacre was not an impressive battle. British troops, angered by colonial taunts and jeers, fired on civilians assembled on King St, Boston, killing 5 and wounding half a doz. But the patriots were stirred up. In 1816, JOHN ADAMS wrote of the incident:

Not the battle of Lexington, nor the surrender of Burgoyne or Cornwallis, were more important events in American history than the Battle of King Street on March 5, 1770.

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FRIENDLINESS—22

Friendliness is becoming, both morning, noon and night, and in youth, maturity and old age.—William Feather Magazine.

GOOD OLD DAYS—23

One thing about the good old days—if you bought a horse you could be pretty sure that the model wouldn't change next yr.—*Balance Sheet*.

HEALTH—Mental—24

Money giving is a very good criterion, in a way, of a person's mental health. Generous people are rarely mentally ill people. — KARL MENNINGER, MD, "Healthier Than Healthy," *Think*, Internat'l Business Machines Corp'n, 1-'60.

HEALTH—Smoking—25

New support for the theory that cigarette smoking increases the risk of lung cancer comes from the Sloan-Kettering Inst for Cancer Research. The Inst made a study of Seventh Day Adventists, who refrain from smoking on religious grounds. It reported: "Men who are Seventh Day Adventists are 90 times less likely to get lung cancer than other men." Mbrs of the religious group also had fewer heart attacks than other people, and lower incidence of cancers of the mouth, larynx and esophagus, the Inst said.—*U S News & World Report*.

HISTORY—26

Our past is not a tomb in which to hide from progress. It is rich ground in which we drop the seeds of our aspirations. Reverence for the past gives our life style and dignity. Thru history we rebuild the lost contact between the surface and the depth of civilization; wherefore, a nat'n with no regard for its past will have little future worth remembering. — EUGENE P BERTIN, *Pennsylvania School Jnl*.

HOME LIFE—27

Formal education does contribute substantially, of course, and, as we have seen, students reflect both their education and the attitudes of their teachers. But the true well-spring of an integrated, healthy and happy personality lies within the walls—large or small, many or few, bare, painted or tapestried—of the teenager's home.—H H REMMERS & D H RADLER, *The American Teenager* (Bobbs- Merrill).

HUMOR—28

Many people are convinced that children have to be born with an appetite for wit; otherwise they are fated to live out their lives as Gloomy Guses and Mournful Maudes. It isn't so. When youngsters are exposed to humor, they have a good chance of acquiring a taste for it. Parents expose children to literature, music, and other of life's good things. Why not include a portion of fun in the diet?—SAM LEVENSON, as told to MARTIN ABRAMSON, "Give Your Child the Gift of Laughter," *Family Circle*, 2-'60.

IDEAS—29

Few ideas are in themselves practical. It is for want of imagination in applying them, rather than in acquiring them, that they fail. The creative process doesn't end with an idea—it only starts with an idea.—JOS ARNOLD, quoted in *Phoenix Flame*, Phoenix Metal Cap Co.

ILLNESS—30

Virus: originated by someone who couldn't spell pneumonia. — *Digest of World Reading*, Melbourne, Australia.

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Le Spectre de la Rose

Vaslav Nijinsky, a Russian of Polish descent, stands as the greatest dance genius of all time. He made his debut in 1907 in the Imperial Ballet at St Petersburg. Later he joined the Ballet Russe, directed by the great impresario, Sergei Diaghileff, and made his debut in Paris with Pavlova.

During 4 yrs under Diaghileff's guidance, he became a choreographer and the foremost danseur of the time.

After his marriage he severed relations with Diaghileff. But on his own, he was a failure. Rejoining Diaghileff, for a tour of the U S, he again broke the relationship. Alone, he failed again. His mind became clouded, and he spent the rest of his yrs in an insane asylum.

His most brilliant performances as premier danseur were in the ballets *L'Après-Midi d'un Faune*, *Les Sylphides*, and *Le Spectre de la Rose*, which brought him his greatest fame.

A simple, romantic ballet, of constant, delicate motion, it tells the story of a girl who, returning home from a ball, falls asleep with a rose in her hand. She dreams that the Rose Spirit comes to visit her. He dances with her, kisses her, and at the break of day, leaps thru the window.

Nijinsky's leap was a feat that has never been equalled by another

dancer. He had great elevation. At the height of the leap, he achieved a suspension of motion—an astonishing thing.

Then soared gently down to his Rose garden.

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JUVENILE DELINQUENCY—31

Not long ago a N Y C judge wrote the *N Y Times* saying that in the 17 yrs he had been on the bench not 1 Chinese teenager had been brought before him on a juvenile delinquency charge. P H Chang, Chinese Consul-Gen'l in N Y, commented: "I have heard this many times from many judges. . . Filial piety is a cardinal virtue my people have brought over from the China that was free. A Chinese child, no matter where he lives, is brought up to recognize he cannot shame his parents. Before a Chinese child makes a move, he stops to think what the reaction of his parents will be. Will they be proud, or will they be ashamed? Above all other things, the Chinese teenager is anxious to please his parents." The amazing record of the Chinese children shows that it is in the home that the cure for juvenile delinquency will be found—and in no other place. — *Dairymen's League News*.

KNOWLEDGE—32

Some students drink at the fountain of knowledge. Others just gargle.—*Baptist & Reflector*.

LABOR—Management—33

Capital which overreaches for profits; labor which overreaches for wages or a public which overreaches for bargains will all destroy each other. There is no salvation for us on that road. — OWEN D YOUNG, quoted in *Watchman-Examiner*.

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....pathways to the past.....



Red Cross Month (Mar 1-31)

Ret'n Borrowed Books Wk

(begins Mar 1)

Nat'l 4-H Club Wk (begins Mar 5)

Feb 28—140th anniv (1820) b of Sir John Tenniel, English cartoonist and book illustrator, best known for his illustrations of *Alice in Wonderland*. (In his own day he was famous as a political cartoonist for *Punch*). . . 95th anniv (1865) b Sir Wilfred Grenfell, renowned English medical missionary to Labrador. . . 70th anniv (1890) b of Vaslav Nijinsky, internat'l famous Russian dancer (see GEM BOX).

Feb 29—Leap Year Day.

Mar 1—Shrove Tuesday. . . 180 yrs ago (1780) the Pennsylvania Bank, 1st bank in the U S, was chartered in Philadelphia to finance the Revolutionary army. By the end of the War, it had furnished the troops 3,000,000 rations and 300 barrels of rum. . . 170 yrs ago (1790) taking of the 1st U S Census began. Returns showed the population to be 3,929,328. . . 15 yrs ago (1945) Pres Franklin D Roosevelt, just returned from the Big Three Conf at Yalta, made a personal report of the mtg to Congress.

Mar 2—Ash Wednesday. . . 415th anniv (1545) b of Sir Thos Bodley, English diplomat and scholar, founder of the Bodleian Library, Oxford, 1602. . . 70th anniv (1890) b of Dr Paul De Kruijff, American bacteriologist and author.

Mar 3—150 yrs ago (1810) one of

our last living links with Colonial days, the Wm Penn Treaty Elm, Philadelphia, blew down. The tree, under which Penn made his agreement of fair-dealing with the Indians in 1683, was 283 yrs old. A monument marks its site. . . 85 yrs ago (1875) Geo Bizet's opera *Carmen* made its premiere at the Opéra-Comique in Paris. . . 45 yrs ago (1915) saw the 1st showing of one of the world's greatest silent movies, *The Birth of a Nation*.

Mar 4—World Day of Prayer. . . 110 yrs ago (1850) Sen John C Calhoun of S Carolina, too ill to speak himself, listened as his attack on Clay's Compromise of 1850 was read to the Senate. Calhoun warned that the South would be "forced to choose between abolition and secession." . . . 95 yrs ago (1865) Abraham Lincoln was inaugurated into his 2nd term as Pres.

Mar 5—210 yrs ago (1750) the 1st N Y Theatrical season opened with Thos Kean in *Richard III*. Dramas and farces (to which the impecunious mgt unhesitatingly sold more tickets than there were seats) played for over a yr in a Nassau St house. . . The Boston Massacre occurred 190 yrs ago (1770). British troops fired on civilians, killing and wounding several.

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LEADERSHIP—34

All day, every day, leadership is training. — MASON HAIRE, *Personnel Jnl.*

LIFE—Living—35

An open mind, humility, determination, enthusiasm, unselfishness, plus a love of action (inspired work) are the steps in a moving stairway to the stars.—MELVIN J EVANS, *It Works.*

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We're well supplied with wonder drugs

In bottle, tube and jar:

They've been so long upon the shelves

We wonder what they are!

—S OMAR BARKER.

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LITERACY—37

Greatly distressed by the prevailing ignorance of the villagers in the small village in which she was vacationing, an old lady persuaded the school teacher to give some lessons to some of the semi-literate adults.

Meeting one of these pupils on the st one day, she asked kindly, “Well, John, I guess you can read your Bible by this time.”

“Bless your heart, ma'am,” was the grateful reply, “I was out of the Bible and into the baseball news over a wk ago.” — MINNA FRANK, *High Points.*

LOVE—38

Carlyle tells us a story from his boyhood, how once his father had

to carry him on a narrow plank bridging a raging stream in full flood. He carried the lad face downward in full view of the raging waters. Carlyle's subsequent comment was, “If it was my mother who carried me, she would have shown me her face.” — Rev JAS E FOGARTIE, *Christian Observer.*

MIND—39

Facts can be poured into the mind willing to receive them. But the mind itself—by its own action—determines the values created by the use of facts. It's how the mind works that counts. — NORMAN G SHIDLE, editorial, *Society of Automotive Engineers Jnl.*

MERIT—40

True merit is like a river; the deeper it is, the less noise it makes. —Lord HALIFAX, *Nat'l Education Ass'n Jnl.*

MOTHERHOOD—41

Jessamyn West, in *To See the Dream*, her delightful jnl about the making of the movie *The Friendly Persuasion*, tells how, as she and a young studio assistant walked together past a railroad guard in a train station, the guard cheerily called out, “I see you have your big boy to help you this morning.”

“I was startled,” Jessamyn West writes further. “I have believed that my childlessness could be seen in my face. Perhaps a face is as marked by what has been wished for as by what has been accomplished, and the child hoped for also leaves its mark of motherliness.” — ELISABETH D DODDS, “Churches Have Childless Couples,” *Presbyterian Life*, 1-15-'60.

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NUCLEAR AGE—42

It's hard to explain to kids why a nation that spends billions for nuclear bombs is still trying to outlaw firecrackers. — *Lebanon (Ind) Reporter*.

PAST—Present—43

We can't "break" with history and flourish any more than we can cut the roots of flowers and grow a garden. We relate yesterday's facts to today's events to produce tomorrow's meaning. We live *by* the past, not *in* it. In the mirror of history we realize where we belong and what we are living for.—EUGENE P BERTIN, *Pennsylvania School Jnl*.

POLITICS—Politicians—44

Every politician should have two special hats—one to toss into the ring, the other to talk thru.—*Indianapolis Times*.

PREACHERS—Preaching—45

Said a carpenter the other day of his minister: "He's like the rest of us in so many ways, but sometimes when he is gripped by his sermon he seems 10 ft tall in the pulpit! He makes us feel bigger, too."—Dr DAVID A MACLENNAN, *Church Mgt*.

PRIVACY—46

Every home well could have a "silence room." There are today "dark rooms," rumpus rooms, sewing rooms, hi-fi rooms, and many others. In most homes there is not one single room where a mbr of the family can go for privacy, for prayer and meditation and for absolute quiet. There must be a place where the individual can free himself of the cobwebs that so frequently beset his thinking.—Everett (Washington) *Daily Herald*.

READING—47

Taste a book or magazine before reading, it may be bitter or even rotten. The mind is more important than the stomach. Just as some food is fit only for the garbage pail, so some reading is not fit for the mind. A mind that does not perfect itself by good reading does not remain the same, it becomes duller. White fences do not remain white fences; muscles that are not used atrophy, and a mind that does not take mental nourishment can starve. — Bishop FULTON J SHEEN, *syndicated col*.

RELIGION—48

Business is religion, and religion is business. The man who does not make a business of his religion has a religious life of no force, and the man who does not make a religion of his business has a business life of no character.—MALTESE BARCOCK, quoted in *Houston Times*.

RESEARCH—49

From 1776 to today we have spent \$104.4 billions on research and development. Half of these expenditures were made since 1954—a scant 5 yrs ago! . . . Another way of pointing up the startling pace is to note that 90% of all the scientists who ever lived are alive today. . . A projection of R & D expenditures to 1970 indicates an expenditure in the next decade alone of nearly twice as many dollars as in the previous history of the U S.—JAS F YOUNG, gen'l mgr, G-E Gen'l Engineering Lab'y, at Nat'l Conf on Gov't.

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RETIREMENT—50

Many retired couples . . . pulled up stakes, sold their homes and a good deal of their furnishings, to start all over again in a different part of the country or even in Mexico or Europe. Some of them were happy and felt the complete change had been the right thing to do, for them. But more of them had told us of their loneliness and regret. "We miss our old friends and neighbors," they said, "and everything is so different that we feel we're just killing time. Our roots are all pulled up and they won't seem to grow down again."—DOROTHY BLAKE, "We Retired to Happiness," *Woman's Day*, 1-'60.

RUSSIA—Russians—51

After the visit, and today, I'm thoroughly convinced that the greatest asset Russia has is the attitude of the people toward work. Monetary gains are secondary, completely secondary, to recognition and satisfaction of a job well done.—CHAS G MORTIMER, Gen'l Foods Corp'n, "Secret Weapon of the Soviets," *Dun's Review*, 1-'60.

SAFETY—Safe Driving—52

Highway patrol cars in some states carry big signs on the backs showing the present fatality toll in the state for the yr, for instance, "195 in 1959."

The other day, when a patrolman stopped at a traffic light in a village in one of these states two small boys walked toward the rear of his car. One of them said, "Let's see how many this one's killed!"—*Highways of Happiness*.

Quote

SCIENCE—and Religion—53

In our modern world many people seem to feel science has somehow made "religious ideas" untimely or old-fashioned. But I think science has a real surprise for the skeptics. Science, for instance, tells us that nothing in nature, not even the tiniest particle, can disappear without a trace. . . Nature does not know extinction. All it knows is transformation.—Dr WERNHER VON BRAUN, Development Operations Director, Army Ballistic Missile Agency, "Immortality," *This Wk*, 1-24-'60.

SEASONS—54

A small boy's overalls are a kind of calendar of the seasons. Jan, a Brazil nut; Feb, a valentine; March, a marble; April, a piece of kite string; May, a piece of paper with a few lines of a school piece to be memorized; June, a fishhook; July, a firecracker; Aug, a plum pit; Sept, a bright red maple leaf; Oct, a pheasant feather; Nov, the stub of a jack-o-lantern candle; Dec, a rabbit's foot.—FRAWLEY HYNES, *Columbia, Knights of Columbus*.

SPEECH—55

A carpenter once said: "Best rule I know for talkin' is the same as the one for carpenterin': measure twice and then saw once."—*Tit-Bits*, London.

STANDARD OF LIVING—56

Americans spend 5 times as much for non-essentials as they did 20 yrs ago. — *Horizons*, syndicated by Cambridge Assoc's, Boston.

SUCCESS—57

Success comes to those who make the greatest profit from the fewest mistakes.—*Highways of Happiness*.

TAXES—58

They say that the world is sad; it's because of taxes. People who are basically honest have become sad because those who invented taxes have forced them to become robbers. — SACHA GUTTRY, *Paris Match*, France (QUOTE translation).

TEACHERS—Teaching—59

I've been teaching for 30 yrs. From my own experience, and that of dozens of friends and colleagues, I am convinced that at least 20% of a teacher's time is spent in needless interruptions that keep him from his real job, teaching! . . . (One east coast survey showed) the number of nonteaching duties the average teacher performed, came (to) the startling total of 110! . . . (A west coast survey) study showed that 1/5 of each day was eaten up by non-academic activities. — GEO WEINSTEIN, "Why Don't They Let Us Teach?" *This Wk*, 1-24-'60.

TELEVISION—60

The adult tv westerns these days are getting to be more senile than adult.—GRIFF NIBLACK, *Indianapolis News*.

THOUGHT—61

A poor bit of thinking clothed in a lovely binding doesn't change the thought.—*Kentucky School Jnl*.

VENDING MACHINES—62

The "ultimate" vending machine was put on exhibition in London recently. The machine, somewhat similar to a cigaret machine, dispenses whiskey. The machine delivers packages containing enough beverage for two drinks. It is designed for use in bars, theaters and railway stations.—*Science Digest*.

WORK—63

Perhaps in all recorded history man has never mentally lived so far away from the world of fact and so close to the world of fantasy as in the U S today. We must awaken to the fact that work, not gov't, is the true passport to human existence. That quality (skills) of work and quantity of accomplishment leads to higher standards of living. There are no voteable short cuts. — RALPH E LYNE, *Scandal Sheet*, Graham (Tex) Rotary Club.

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It's claimed that animals are dumb—

Incapable of thinking.

If true, then tell me this: How come

Rats leave a ship that's sinking?—FRANCIS O WALSH.

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WRITERS—Writing—65

The best discussion of Shakespeare I've ever had was with a booking agent who was arranging a Shakespeare lecture for me. He had a profound and honest comment to make. He said: "What I most admire about Shakespeare is that he was a guy who said when he made enough he was going to quit, and when he made enough he quit."—HARRY GOLDEN, *For 2¢ Plain* (World).

YOUTH—66

Next to godliness, youth is a person's greatest asset.—GEO E FALLING, "Let No Man Despise Thy Youth," *Wesleyan Methodist*, 1-27-'60.

Quote

GOOD STORIES

you can use...



A great barrister was constantly ill and was disgusted with his health. Once a friend solicitously advised him to rest for a few mos, saying, "Then your constitution might be rebuilt."

Barked the barrister: "My constitution was destroyed long ago. I am now living under the by-laws." —*Illustrated Wkly of India, Bombay.* a

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Working under pressure seemed no struggle for the janitor at First Church. At the close of a particularly full WSCS mtg day, the pastor asked, "How do you take orders from so many ladies all day long?"

"It's easy," repl'd the janitor. "I just throw myself into neutral and let them push." —*MARIE CHAPMAN, Together.* b

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Receiving an invitation to dine with the squire, the vicar of a small parish took a lantern to guide him thru the dark village lanes.

They had a jolly dinner and a very enjoyable time. The vicar ret'd home safe and sound, but early next morning a messenger arrived with a note from the squire.

"Dear Vicar," it ran. "If you will kindly return the parrot in its cage, you can have your lantern." —*Tit-Bits, London.* c

Quote

I Laughed At This One

F. G. KERNAN

An Irishman and an American Indian somehow got into an argument. The Irishman listed the names of all the great Irishmen who contributed to the development of America, then demanded to know what the Indians ever did for the country.

"Well," repl'd the Indian after some thought, "you never see any kids playing Cowboys and Irishmen!"

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A chap at breakfast early one recent morning was glancing thru the used car ads and could hardly believe his eyes when he saw one that read: "Cadillac convertible, used 2 wks. Perfect condition, \$100."

He hurried into some clothes and dashed to the address listed. A woman ans'd the doorbell and took him to the garage. Sure enough, there it was — shiny, white and handsome!

As he handed over the money, he asked how it was possible she could sell a Cadillac for so little.

"Well," said the woman gently, "my husband bought it just before he passed away last wk. In his will he stipulated it was to be sold and the money given to his sec'y. I, of course, am carrying out his wish." —*Jnl of the American Medical Ass'n.* d

.....Quote-able QUIPS.....

Two mbrs of a railroad section crew in the Southwest were recalling the toughest workmen, also the most lackadaisical, they had encountered in their long railroading experience.

"In my book," said one of the old-timers, "the hombre that takes the cake on both counts was an enormous happy-go-lucky hillbilly who we called Big Sam. He was always in a good humor and the only thing he liked better than eating was sleeping. It was so hard to wake him up from his lunch-hr siesta that one day the section foreman got impatient and picked up a large wet boulder from the edge of a creek running alongside the tracks and heaved it at the snoring sleeper. The rock landed square on Big Sam's hard head. He stopped snoring right away and forced his eyes open. Feeling a wet trickle rolling down his dusty brow, he turned to me with a kind of hurt look on his face, and asked, 'Who th'owed that sponge?'"—DON CARLE GILLETTE, *Wall St Jnl.* e

Eleven-yr-old Geo made his 1st trip to Sydney to visit his grandparents. Writing home to his family, he tried to describe the mugginess of Jan in Sydney.

"It's the kind of weather," he wrote desperately, "when everything that's supposed to stick together comes apart sticks together."—MARY A GREEN, *Digest of World Reading*, Melbourne, Australia. f

The engineering student likely to go places in the future is one with plans for building castles in the air.—PHIL TUSETH

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An apple a day won't keep the doctor away and having him around takes too much lettuce.—FRANK J PEPE.

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On her 1st visit to the doctor, a woman usually gives him a pre-amble to her constitution.—ERNEST BLEVINS.

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The only time some girls can keep a secret is if he's good looking and has money.—DAN BENNETT.

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They haven't decided yet what to officially call men who volunteer to be shot to the moon, but one lively possibility seems to be lunatics.—FRANKLIN P JONES.

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Extreme honesty in public places is sort of like the banjo—every few yrs it enjoys a revival.—BILL VAUGHAN, *V F W Mag.*

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Sophistication is the art of recognizing a new joke and then acting as if it's an old one.—KEN KRAFT.

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The restless age is between about 7 in the morning and about 11 at night.—Indianapolis Times.

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You can't judge a book by its movie version, either.—D O FLYNN.

Quote

"And now," the chairman said, "I would like to notify the mbrs of the volunteer committee of their appointment." — *Food Marketing in New England.* g

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Richard Armour



Of Service

Blood donations are regarded as a personal service and are not deductible.—Newspaper article on income tax.

You may give cash, you may give stock,
Or put yourself, indeed, in hock
To help your church or school or charity,
And tax instructions say with clarity
That this is giving, this you may
Deduct when it comes time to pay.

But draw a pint or draw a quart,
Draw blood till you're a little short,
And though you hand it over gladly
The Treasury will tell you, sadly,
You've only done a service, sire,
Like helping someone change a tire.

Yes, though you give till barely living,
This isn't what's construed as giving,
It's being useful, being nice,
Which doesn't bring a penny's price
At tax time when, believe me, bud,
All look as if they've given blood.

Quote

I drove down Sunset Blvd in Hollywood with the top down on my convertible. I sported a flame-red beret on my head, wore a purple jacket over a Hawaiian play shirt of flowered fabric. My outsized pair of sun glasses completed my costume. A motorcycle cop who had been riding alongside me motioned me over to the curb. "Officer!" I protested, as he walked up to me, "I wasn't even going 30 mi's an hr!"

"Yeah, I know," he solemnly ans'd. "I'm not giving you a summons. I just wanted to hear you talk."—TED E ABRAMS, *True.* h

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Gentlemen: Read in the C & E N where nylon stockings are being used to capture buck in the Kariba game rescue work. What's new about that? Many a young buck has been caught by a pr of nylon stockings.—A R PARTON, letter to ed of *Chemical & Engineering News.* i

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A school inspector from Moscow was inspecting a school in Swerdlowsk. "Do you have any especially gifted pupils among your charges?" he asked the director of the school. "Yes, we have one who is about a yr ahead of his classmates," was the reply, and little Ivan was called to talk to the visitor.

"Who are the 3 greatest traitors in the history of the Soviet Union?" was one of the 1st questions.

"Stalin." "Right." "Malenkov." "Right." "And Khrushchev." The school inspector turned to the director, "You are right," he commented. "This boy is really about a yr ahead of his classmates."—*Weltwoche, Zurich (Quote translation).* j



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JOE FINAN, ex-disk jockey, claiming radio stations should not try to upgrade public taste: "Everyone has the God-given right not to be educated if they don't want to be. It's intellectual snobbery to throw a Respighi or Brahms at them and say, 'Listen to this. It's good for you.'" 2-Q-t

SECOND CLASS MATTER

Edited by Alice Jacobs

Spring may be coming, but winter's back isn't broken yet. With this not-too-cheery thought in mind, we want to tell you about some things to make life more comfortable the next couple of months. First, *Science News Letter* reports an automatic bed warmer which goes on the mattress under the mattress pad. Electric warmer has many temperature settings and automatically adjusts to the temperature selected. Turns itself off when room warms, back on when room cools.

If you have pipes in danger of freezing, there is now an insulated tubing with a lengthwise zipper closure which will fit any pipe—in-

doors or out—and provide permanent protection against freezing. It's made of vinyl lined with fiber glass, comes in all pipe sizes, cut to exact lengths. Comes in several colors. When ordering, give pipe diameter, length, color choice. 30 cents a ft, from Zippertubing Co, 752 S San Pedro St, Los Angeles 14, Calif.

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